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Docket Number (Optional)

YOR919940172US6

I hereby declare that:

Each inventor's residence, mailing address and citizenship are stated below next to their name.

I believe the inventors named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 6,335,569, granted January 1, 2002, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled

SOFT METAL CONDUCTOR AND METHOD OF MAKING

the specification of which



is attached hereto.



was filed on 12/31/03 as reissue application number 10/749,152

and was amended on _____

(if applicable)

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.



I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b). Attached is form PTO/SB/28 (or equivalent) listing the foreign applications.

I verify believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below. (Check all boxes that apply.)



by reason of a defective specification or drawing.



by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than he had the right to claim in the patent.



by reason of other errors.

At least one error upon which reissue is based is described below. If the reissue is a broadening reissue, such must be stated with an explanation as to the nature of the broadening:

The patentee claimed less than he had the right to claim in not including claims along the lines of newly-presented claims 17-37. This is a broadened reissue. The broadening is directed to:

at least not reciting "... at least one metal selected from the group consisting of Al, Cu and Ag". as recited in independent patent claims 1 and 10. In addition, independent claims 34, 44 and 49 are further broadened by also not reciting "grain sizes larger than 200 nm", as recited in independent patent claim 1, and by not reciting "grain sizes not smaller than about 20% of the thickness of said second metal layer, as recited in independent patent claim 10.

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)Applicant/Patent Owner: International Business Machines CorporationApplication No./Patent No.: 6,335,569 Filed/Issue Date: January 1, 2002Entitled: SOFT METAL CONDUCTOR AND METHOD OF MAKING

International Business Machines Corporation, a Corporation
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states that it is:

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**REISSUE APPLICATION: CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE;
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This is part of the application for a reissue patent based on the original patent identified below.

Name of Patentee(s) Rajiv V. Joshi

Patent Number

6,335,569

Date Patent Issued

January 1, 2002

Title of Invention

SOFT METAL CONDUCTOR AND METHOD OF MAKING

1. ☒ Filed herein is a statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b). (Form PTO/SB/96)2. ☐ Ownership of the patent is in the inventor(s), and no assignment of the patent is in effect.

One of boxes 1 or 2 above must be checked. If multiple assignees, complete this form for each assignee. If box 2 is checked, skip the next entry and go directly to "Name of Assignee".

The written consent of all assignees and inventors owning an undivided interest in the original patent is included in this application for reissue.

The assignee(s) owning an undivided interest in said original patent is/are International Business Machines Corporation
and the assignee(s) consents to the accompanying application for reissue.

Name of assignee/inventor (if not assigned)

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Sir:

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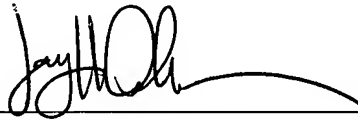
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